

bright people in that State legislature. I served with a great Governor who understood that we had to protect our Great Lakes while we have a moratorium on new drilling. I want those people empowered to make a difference for our Great Lakes.

I would urge this today's strong rejection of the Federal Government encroaching into the business of the Great Lakes States.

I applaud all of the Members for getting up on the floor and talking about their passion for protecting one of our greatest natural resources. Well, let us do just that, but let us be a partner with the States.

Talk to our state legislators, talk to our governors. They will be with us. Talk to the people who live there and ask them who do they best trust to protect our Great Lakes? Is it the people that get up every morning and eat breakfast, go to work, and send their children to school in the shadow of the Lakes, or is it a bureaucrat that they have never met in the halls of some Washington, DC bureaucracy? Or is it a future member of Congress from a dry state like California who stands up, maybe 50 years from now, and argues that it is worth the risk to stick a pipe in fresh water to extract oil? The answer is clear, our States are the best guardians of the Great Lakes.

I urge my colleagues to stand up for the Great Lakes today. Stand up for the environment of Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Minnesota, New York, and Wisconsin. Stand up for these states by rejecting the Federal Government's role of encroaching on our ability back home to protect our greatest natural resource. I would urge this body's rejection of the Bonior Amendment.

2001 OHIO YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION CHALLENGE

HON. JAMES A. TRAFICANT, JR.

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2001

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, today I want to congratulate the extraordinary young people that excelled in the 2001 Ohio Youth Hunter Education Challenge.

This respectable program is a comprehensive youth program of outdoor skills and safety training for young hunters who have completed hunter-safety training at the state-or provincial-level. Developed by the National Rifle Association in 1985, volunteer hunting education instructors provide expertise and hands-on training in various methods of take and game. The Challenge offers young people the opportunity to show their knowledge and ability, which was earned through hard work and dedication.

The following is a list of this year's winners:

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Top Senior Overall: Bryan Hum, Columbiana Pathfinders, 2112 pts. 2nd place: Tony Utrup, Putnam Sr., 1984 pts. 3rd place: Jeremy McCoy, 1796 pts.

Top Junior Overall: David Tobin, Columbiana Hawkeyes, 1807 pts. 2nd place: Travis Tourjee, Putnam Jr., 1777 pts. 3rd place: Nathan Mullen, Columbiana Hawkeyes, 1636 pts.

Rifle: Senior: 1st place: Bryan Hum, Col., 260 pts. 2nd place: Brandon McCoy, Putnam, 260 pts. 3rd place: Jerrod Miller, Col., 260 pts.

Junior: 1st place: Megan McCoy, Putnam, 170 pts. 2nd place: Bill McGuire, Columbiana, 160 pts. 3rd place: Derek Haselman, Putnam, 150 pts.

Muzzleloader: Senior: 1st place: Tony Utrup, Putnam, 300 pts. 2nd place: Judson Sanor, Col., 300 pts. 3rd place: Bryan Hum, Col., 275 pts. Junior: 1st place: David Tobin, Col., 275 pts. 2nd place: Travis Tourjee, Putnam, 275 pts. 3rd place: Nathan Mullen, Col., 250 pts.

Shotgun: Senior: 1st place: Bryan Hum, Col., 275 pts. 2nd place: Tony Utrup, Putnam, 250 pts. 3rd place: Josh Heckman, Putnam, 220 pts. Junior: 1st place: David Tobin, Col., 270 pts. 2nd place: Travis Tourjee, Putnam, 250 pts. 3rd place: Bill McGuire, Col., 200 pts.

Archery: Senior: 1st place: Bryan Hum, Col., 272 pts. 2nd place: Tony Utrup, Putnam, 269 pts. 3rd place: Jerrod Miller, Col., 244 pts. Junior: 1st place: Nathan Mullen, Col., 256 pts. 2nd place: Travis Tourjee, Putnam, 252 pts. 3rd place: Kyle Westbeld, Putnam, 252 pts.

Orienteering: Senior: 1st place: Matt McSherry, Fitchville, 275 pts. 2nd place: Bryan Hum, Col., 260 pts. 3rd place: Judson Sanor, Col., 260 pts. Junior: 1st place: David Tobin, Col., 280 pts. 2nd place: Nathan Mullen, Col., 265 pts. 3rd place: Colin Grosse, Fitchville, 230 pts.

Safety Trail: Senior: 1st place: Tyler Finley, 265 pts. 2nd place: Bryan Hum, Col., 260 pts. 3rd place: Jeremy McCoy, Putnam, 260 pts. Junior: 1st place: Kyle Westbeld, Putnam, 255 pts. 2nd place: Tiffany Utrup, Putnam, 251 pts. 3rd place: Andy Clutter, Col., 245 pts.

Exam: Senior: 1st place: Tony Utrup, Putnam, 260 pts. 2nd place: Bryan Hum, Col., 255 pts. 3rd place: Jeremy McCoy, Putnam, 255 pts. Junior: 1st place: David Tobin, Col., 250 pts. 2nd place: Nathan Mullen, Col., 225 pts. 3rd place: Travis Tourjee, Putnam, 225 pts.

Wildlife ID: Senior: 1st place: Jeremy McCoy, Putnam, 300 pts. 2nd place: Tony Utrup, Putnam, 285 pts. 3rd place: Bryan Hum, Col., 260 pts. Junior: 1st place: Kyle Westbeld, Putnam, 265 pts. 2nd place: Travis Tourjee, Putnam, 245 pts. 3rd place: Megan McCoy, 240 pts.

Top Teams: Senior: Putnam Senior, 8673 pts.—Josh Heckman, Brandon McCoy, Jeremy McCoy, Tony Utrup, Trevor Utrup, Justin Winstead. 2nd place: Columbiana Pathfinders, 8190 pts.—Chris Dattilio, Jamie Garrod, Bryan Hum, Jerrod Miller, Judson Sanor, Justin Ross. Junior: Columbiana Hawkeyes, 7535 pts.—Andy Clutter, Bill McGuire, Samantha Miller, Nathan Mullen, David Tobin, Candie Grubbs. 2nd place: Putnam Juniors, 7337 pts.—Derek Haselman, Megan McCoy, Travis Tourjee, Tiffany Utrup, Kyle Westbeld.

HONORING THE EFFICIENCY OF NISSAN'S SMYRNA PLANT

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2001

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the hard work and dedication of the employees of Nissan's Smyrna, Tennessee, plant. Their work ethic has produced the most efficient car and small truck assembly plant in North America.

The Harbour Report, an annual study in productivity that's used as an industry benchmark, has picked the Smyrna plant as the most efficient for seven consecutive years. At a time when the sluggish economy forced

most automakers to slow production at their assembly plants, Nissan's Smyrna plant boosted its overall productivity by seven percent. That's a real indication of the know-how and dedication of the plant's work force.

Since June 16, 1983, when the first automobile rolled off the Smyrna plant's assembly line, Nissan has contributed immensely to the area's quality of life with good-paying jobs and responsive corporate citizenship. Nissan's corporate commitment to diversity within its employee population, supplier base and dealer body, encourages a variety of ideas and opinions that inspire the team behavior that wins these kinds of accolades.

My home is in Rutherford County, Tennessee, where the Smyrna plant is located. I was excited when I heard the news that Nissan was building a new plant in Smyrna. As the plant was being built, I watched its progress knowing that good-paying jobs were coming to Middle Tennessee. Since its completion, I have visited the plant on numerous occasions.

One of my more memorable visits came on the day the 1 millionth vehicle rolled off the assembly line. On that day, a young lady who worked at the Smyrna plant spoke to a large crowd that had gathered for the special occasion. She recalled for us the time she and her children were waiting at a traffic light in their car when a Nissan pickup truck pulled up to the same traffic light. She said her children asked if she had built the vehicle. With a wide smile and obvious pride, she told us that she responded to the question with an emphatic, "Yes, I did."

That young woman's story is a perfect example of the pride all Nissan employees have in their workmanship. I congratulate each and every Nissan employee at the Smyrna facility for a job well done.

TRIBUTE TO CHARLES "CHICKEN" JEANS

HON. MARION BERRY

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, July 10, 2001

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a great Arkansan and an outstanding citizen, and I am proud to recognize Charles "Chicken" Jeans in the Congress for his invaluable contributions and service to his community, to our state, and our nation.

"Chicken" has worn many hats during his lifetime: husband, father, grandfather, farmer, car salesman, and county road supervisor—to name just a few. But he will always tell you that he is "nothing but a bird."

In Lonoke County and around Arkansas, "Chicken" is well known as the man to see if you need anything. "Chicken" came to work for the county on September 24, 1984, and he retired sixteen years later, on September 16, 2000 after serving under three county judges. Judge "Dude" Spence, Judge Don Bevis, and Judge Carol Bevis all valued "Chicken" for his experience and knowledge of the county.

Ask any politician, farmer, or businessman in central Arkansas what they will be doing on the second Thursday in August, and they will say, "I'm going to Coy for the Po' Boy Supper to see Chicken!" The Po' Boy Supper has been an annual event for many years. Several